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MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION
U.S. SALT DELEGATION
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

DATE: December 14, 1972
TIME: 6:45 - 7:30 p.m.
PLACE: USSR Mission, Geneva

SUBJECT: SALT

PARTICIPANTS: US

USSR

Mr. John P. Shaw

Mr. V. S. Chulitsky
Mr. Boris N. Sedov

I told Chulitsky that I had heard through informal channels that the U.S. Delegation would soon be receiving instructions regarding the SCC documents and the U.S. might propose some changes in the two drafts. Chulitsky asked specifically what changes. I said I did not know, as we had not received instructions as yet, but that I thought they would be primarily to the joint draft text of Articles for the Regulations. I said it was still our hope that the two Delegations could accomplish the establishment of the SCC here in Geneva before adjournment. I told Chulitsky that I mentioned this only because he might wish to pass the information on to Smolin in the event I did not see him. (Subsequently, I briefly joined Graybeal and Smolin in their conversation and learned that Graybeal had already passed on essentially the same information.)

Chulitsky expressed concern, saying that he hoped this would not prevent conclusion of an agreement establishing the SCC at this session.

After a discussion reminiscing about earlier SALT experiences, Chulitsky and I were joined by Boris Sedov, the "Press Officer" of the Soviet Mission in Geneva. The conversation with Sedov, whom I had known in Washington four or five years ago, was quite brief, as I broke it off to join Graybeal and Smolin.

[NOTE: Sedov was considered in Washington to be a leading KGB operative and I have no reason to assume that he is not performing the same functions here. It was amusing to observe that Chulitsky almost immediately broke off his conversation with me when Sedov joined us.]

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